

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Applicants respectfully present herewith replacement Figure 7 which includes the desired changes and which complies with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d). The changes made to Figure 7 are explained in the accompanying remarks section below.

REMARKS

The Ex parte Quayle Action dated February 22, 2005, has been received and carefully noted. The amendments made herein and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Claims 1-4 are allowed and pending in the application. It is noted that this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, and that prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with practice under *Ex parte Quayle* 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. Accordingly, only formal matters are addressed herein. No new matter has been added or amendments made that affect the scope of the allowed claims.

Replacement Drawings

Applicants respectfully present replacement drawing Fig. 7 properly labeled as -- Prior Art --, which comply with § 1.84. Accordingly, Applicants request approval of the drawing changes.

Abstract of the Disclosure

The abstract of the disclosure as well as the disclosure of the application were objected to as containing some minor informalities. The abstract and the disclosure have been amended to change "tantalite" to -- tantalate --.

In addition, the Office Action noted that the phrase " λ is a wavelength of a surface acoustic filter propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate," should be changed to -- λ is a wavelength of a surface acoustic filter wave propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate--.

Applicants respectfully disagree with the Office Action's suggestion on this account. It is respectfully submitted that the phrase may be clarified and correctly understood by amending the phrase with a comma ",", to note that it is the "wavelength of a surface acoustic filter" that is "propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate," rather than the "surface acoustic filter." In other words, the reading of the phrase is " λ is a wavelength ..., propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate." Therefore, the abstract and the disclosure of the application have been amended to read " λ is a wavelength of a surface acoustic filter, propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate."

As such, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objections.

Title of the Invention

The title was objected to for not being descriptive. Accordingly, the title of the Invention has been amended as suggested by the Examiner to better describe the claimed invention.

Claims 1-4

The Office Action required claims 1 and 4 to be amended changing "tantalite" to - - tantalate --, and "filter" to -- wave --. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended to change "tantalite" to -- tantalate --. In addition, claims 1 and 4 have been amended to recite " λ is a wavelength of a surface acoustic filter, propagated along the first surface of the piezoelectric substrate" for reasons explained above.

Hence, Applicants submit that the present application is in compliance with US patent practice.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all outstanding matters have been addressed and satisfied. Allowance of the pending claims are respectfully solicited, and that this application be passed to issuance. If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper has not been timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 025720-00020**.

Respectfully submitted,



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